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the PLMN network. As the Examiner has noted, nowhere does Katz et al show or suggest:

"means for detecting user movement between a coverage area of said wireless local area network and a coverage area of said public mobile land network by comparing a first routing area identifier (RAI) associated with said public mobile land network and a second routing area identifier (RAI) associated with said wireless local area network.",

as specifically recited in Claim 1. Nowhere does Katz et al show or suggest any comparison of routing area identifiers. Furthermore, as the Examiner has noted, nowhere does Katz et al. show or suggest:

"detecting user movement between a coverage area of said wireless local area network and a coverage area of said public mobile land network by comparing a first routing area identifier (RAI) associated with said public mobile land network and a second routing area identifier (RAI) associated with said wireless local area network.",

as specifically recited in Claim 14.

Even if Shanbhag et al were available to be cited against the instant application, the patentability of the instant invention would not be affected. Shanbhag et al discloses movement of wireless client 125 from the coverage area of WLAN 110. See paragraph 34. However, nowhere does Shanbhag et al show or suggest:

"means for detecting user movement between a coverage area of said wireless local area network and a coverage area of said public mobile land

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as specifically recited in Claim 1, nor does Shanbhag et al show or suggest:

"detecting user movement between a coverage area of said wireless local area network and a coverage area of said public mobile land network by comparing a first routing area identifier (RAI) associated with said public mobile land network and a second routing area identifier (RAI) associated with said wireless local area network.",

as recited in Claim 14. Rather, Shanbhag et al allows wireless client 125 to continue a data session over the Internet 115, if wireless client 125 moves outside the coverage area of WLAN 110, as explained in paragraph 34.

Even if the disclosure of Katz et al were to be combined with the disclosure of Shanbhag et al, the combination would not show or suggest the portions of Claims 1 and 14 quoted above. It is therefore clear that Katz et al and Shanbhag et al, taken either separately or together, do not affect the patentability of the invention defined by Claims 1 and 14.

Claims 2-13 are dependent from Claim 1 and set forth further advantageous features. The Applicants submit that these subclaims are patentable as their parent Claim 1.

Similarly, Claims 15-18 are dependent from Claim 14 and set forth further advantageous features. The Applicants submit that these subclaims are patentable as their parent Claim 14.

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The Examiner has referred to paragraph 49 of Shanbhag et al. The Applicants are unable to locate this paragraph. The Examiner is respectfully requested to point out the location of this paragraph.

The Applicants submit that the instant application is now in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

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